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RE: MOTION TO INTERVENE in the Application of Utility Source, L.L.C., for increase in its Rates for Water and Wastewater Services.

DOCKET NO. WS-04235a-13-0331

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My name, address and telephone number are listed below.

I wish to intervene in the application for increases in the Water Rates and Charges filed by Utility Source, LLC. I am a residential customer of Utility Source, L.L.C and therefore have an interest in the ramifications of an additional increase in the water and wastewater rates.

I understand that this MOTION TO INTERVENE has been submitted after the deadline of June 6, 2014 as stated in the Public Notice of Hearing. The delay in submitting this motion has been caused by various factors including:

- 1) We received the Notice of Public Hearing via US Mail around 24th of April, 2014. At this time and during my few free hours outside of work and family obligations, I began to explore the reasons for this application. However in my attempts to download the current and previous rate case materials through the e-Docket, I encountered many technical difficulties due to the outdated browser requirements for full functionality of the Arizona Corporation Commission web site. I was unable to resolve these problems as I was preparing for and conducting an extended out-of country work obligation between May 9th until June 8th.
- 2) On June 9th, when back in the country, I reinitiated my efforts to investigate the complex history of Utility Source, L.L.C. and while I was ultimately successful obtaining the documents after numerous consultations with the Water Utilities staff, it has taken me some time to gain a basic understanding of this case and the origins of this Utility and its rate history. This included consultation with a CPA who informed me that these documents "gave him a headache" and that he was not qualified to comment on them.
- 3) I have invested considerable time over the past weeks investigating this case and in doing so gained an understanding that an intervenor does not need to be a lawyer. In my attempt to gain a better understanding of how such rates might be justified, I have read through over a thousand pages of ACC documents, spoken with our local property owners association and neighbors, and consulted with Coconino County staff. I now understand the alarming and troubling nature of this application. Due to the magnitude of these proposed rated increases, the unique and unconventional history of this water utility- which has raised a number of red flags- and the potential impacts on my family and community, I feel that it is urgently and

critically important to file this motion to intervene, and not just provide written comments or testimony at the public hearing.

Given these circumstances and the severe implications of the proposed rate increases on my family and my community, I respectfully request that this late motion to intervene will be granted. I hereby certify that a copy of this Notice of Intervention has been mailed to Utility Source, L.L.C., 20525 E. Chandler Heights Road, Queen Creek, Arizona, 85142.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Erik Nielsen', written over a horizontal line.

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